

Montgomery County Fire Rescue Service is recruiting for the position of Firefighter/Rescuer I (Recruit), which is limited to applicants who already meet specific levels of training. This recruitment will be to establish an eligible list for two recruit classes. These recruit classes are expected to be approximately 8 weeks in duration. Please read this announcement in its entirety as there is important information regarding eligibility requirements for each recruit class.

To be considered for this recruitment, applicants must submit the following certifications by July 29, 2011. These certifications will be verified prior to the date of the written examination.

1) NFPA Firefighter II Certification

2) NFPA Hazardous Material Operations Certification (minimum of 24 hours)

NFPA Firefighter II and NFPA Hazardous Materials Operations may be included on the same transcript.

These certifications must be documented in one of the following ways:

- Official transcript from a City, County or State fire training agency
- Official transcript from an Accredited College
- National Fire Service Professional Qualification Board Certificate
- Maryland Voluntary Fire Service Certification System Certificate

Pocket cards will not be accepted.

3) Maryland certified EMT-B, CRT, or EMT-P*

- Must be documented with a Photocopy of your current certification (Maryland **EMT-B, CRT or EMT-P**)

***Maryland State Certification of EMT-B, CRT or EMT-P must be maintained throughout the hiring process.**

Certifications from local jurisdictions will not be accepted.

Extension letters or expired cards will not be accepted.

Certification / Documentation Requirements:

All required transcripts / certifications must be post-marked by **July 29, 2011**. Applicants that submit training requirements / certifications that are postmarked after July 29, 2011 will not be eligible to take the written examination and will not be considered for this recruitment.

All required transcripts/certifications must be submitted in a sealed envelope from the fire training agency/college and must bear the official seal of the fire training agency /college and signature of the registrar. Official transcripts are always “sealed” in an envelope.

Send all documentation to:

MCFRS
Attn: Employee Services –IRC #3431
101 Monroe Street, 12th Floor
Rockville, MD 20850

- Applicants wishing to confirm receipt of their documentation must send their package via USPS “Return Receipt” or other courier service that provides delivery confirmation.
- Unofficial transcripts or transcripts that are opened/unsealed will automatically be rejected.
- Hand delivered documents will not be accepted under any circumstances except consistent with the American with Disabilities Act as amended.
- Questions about the required documentation for this job announcement should be emailed to MCFRS.IRC3431@montgomerycountymd.gov

Applicants who submit the required certifications/documentations will be notified via email to participate in a written examination anticipated for early-mid September 2011. **Notification of exam date, time, location and other information pertinent to this recruitment will be sent via email.** It is the applicant's responsibility to notify the Office of Human Resources of any address, email or other contact information changes. Alternative dates and times will not be offered for this exam – please plan accordingly.

Written Exam Information:

Applicants will receive their results immediately following the written exam. All applicants that pass the written examination will be given a rating of “Qualified” and will be placed on the Firefighter/Rescuer I (Recruit) Eligible List for 12 months.

Applicants that pass the written exam will be given specific information regarding the Candidate Physical Ability Test (CPAT), as well as, have an opportunity to participate in a hands-on orientation using the CPAT equipment, immediately following the written examination.

Additional Information on the Hiring Process:

To proceed with the hiring process, applicants must successfully complete an oral interview, complete and pass a background investigation, medical examination (including a drug/alcohol screen) and pass the CPAT prior to receiving a final offer of employment.

Employment Information:

Starting Salary for all applicants hired: \$41,613.

The Firefighter/Rescuer I (Recruit) position is an entry level position requiring manual and technical work in fire suppression prevention, rescue, communications, and emergency medical service involving duties and responsibilities of an emergency and hazardous nature on a rotating shift basis, which may require the highest level of sustained exertion and agility. **ALL PERSONNEL WILL BE REQUIRED, ON A REGULAR BASIS, TO WORK UP TO A 48-HOUR WEEK INCLUDING HOLIDAYS AND WEEKENDS**

All applicants selected for hiring will be required to sign an agreement stating that they are tobacco-free (on and off the duty) upon appointment and through their length of service in the Montgomery County Fire and Rescue Service or be subject to termination.

In addition to the base salary, applicants hired from this job announcement that possess a valid ALS certification will receive a pay differential once they obtain their Montgomery County ALS Certification, as well as, an hourly compensation for their time.